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Serial No.: Conf. No.:	10/796,344 1978	<ul> <li>I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited</li> <li>with the United States Postal Service as FIRST-</li> <li>CLASS mail in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop</li> <li>AMENDMENT, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box</li> </ul>
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Examiner:	Lund, Jeffrie Robert	,

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

#### AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a communication regarding the above identified application.

#### Fee Calculation For Claims As Amended

	As Amended		Previously Paid For		Present Extra		Rate		Additional Fee	
Total Claims	20		20	=	0	_ x	\$ 50.00	=	\$	0
Independent Claims	1		3	=	0	X	\$200.00	=	\$	0
Fee for Multiple Dependent Claims							\$360.00	=	\$	0
Total Additional Fee					\$	0				
Small Entity Fee (reduced by half)								\$		

- (X) Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment.
- (X) If a Petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response is required to make the attached response timely and does not separately accompany this transmittal, Applicant(s) hereby petition(s) under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for an extension of time for response in the above-identified application for the period required to make the attached response timely.
- (X) The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to this application under 37 C.F.R. §§1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 07-2069. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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Fax: (312) 360-9315 Customer No.: 24978 Respectfully submitted,

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### PATENT APPLICATION

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## RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment mailed January 25, 2008, Applicants re-submit the "Amendments to the Claims" section of Amendment D, filed October 31, 2007, which now reflects the proper status identifier.